

## On the covariant exterior differentiation on Weil bundles<sup>1</sup>

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**Abstract.** We study the prolongation of linear connections on a vector bundle  $E$  and of  $E$ -valued  $k$ -forms with respect to an arbitrary Weil functor  $T^A$ . We present a practical algorithm for these procedures that is heavily based on the multiplication in the Weil algebra  $A$ . Our main theoretical result is that the covariant exterior differential of  $E$ -valued  $k$ -forms in the sense of Koszul commutes with these prolongation procedures.

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It has been clarified recently that the Weil functors represent a unified technique for investigating a large class of geometric problems, see [7] for a survey. In [12], Slovák deduced the basic properties of the prolongations of general connections on arbitrary fibered manifolds with respect to a Weil functor  $T^A$ . The  $T^A$ -prolongations of tangent valued forms were studied in [1, 2, 4]. In particular, it was proved there that these prolongations preserve the Frölicher–Nijenhuis bracket.

The starting point of the present paper was the idea of an  $E$ -valued  $k$ -form for a vector bundle  $E$  and of its covariant exterior differential by Koszul, [8]. Our main theoretical result is Proposition 9 reading that the  $T^A$ -prolongations of linear connections and  $E$ -valued  $k$ -forms commute with the covariant exterior differentiation. However, we also intend to point out that the Weil algebras supply a very efficient practical machinery for the coordinate investigation of the above mentioned problems. Some basic ideas of these procedures were presented in ([4]) and we used

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this approach already in our research concerning the prolongations of second order connections to vertical Weil bundles, [3].

In Section 1 of the present paper we study the covariant derivative with respect to the  $T^A$ -prolongation of a linear connection on  $E$ . The prolongation formulae for tangent valued forms and  $E$ -valued forms are derived in Sections 2 and 3. In Section 4 we first remark that one proof of Proposition 9 can be based on the theoretical results from Sections 1–3 analogously to our proof of the fact that  $T^A$  preserves the Frölicher–Nijenhuis bracket in ([1]). However, we find it more conceptual to reduce the problem completely to the case of the Frölicher–Nijenhuis bracket by using an unpublished result by Marco Modugno, [10]. We acknowledge him for making us familiar with his manuscript.

All manifolds and maps are assumed to be infinitely differentiable and all manifolds are paracompact. Unless otherwise specified, we use the terminology and notation from ([7]).

## 1. On the prolongation of connections

For every manifold  $M$  and every Weil algebra  $A$ , we denote by  $\kappa_M : T^A TM \rightarrow TT^A M$  the canonical exchange diffeomorphism, [7]. For a tangent valued  $k$ -form  $\omega$  on  $M$ ,

$$\omega : TM \times_M \cdots \times_M TM \longrightarrow TM,$$

its prolongation  $\mathcal{T}^A \omega$  is the tangent valued  $k$ -form on  $T^A M$  defined by

$$(1) \quad \mathcal{T}^A \omega = \kappa_M \circ T^A \omega \circ (\kappa_M^{-1} \times \cdots \times \kappa_M^{-1}),$$

see [1, 4, 11].

We shall start from the approach by Slovák, [12], who studied a (general) connection  $\Gamma$  on a fibered manifold  $p : Y \rightarrow M$  in the form of the lifting map

$$\Gamma : Y \times_M TM \longrightarrow TY.$$

Composing  $\Gamma$  with  $Tp : TY \rightarrow TM$  and the bundle projection  $TY \rightarrow Y$ , we obtain a tangent valued one-form  $h_\Gamma : TY \rightarrow TY$ , which is called the horizontal form of  $\Gamma$ . The vertical projection (or vertical form)  $v_\Gamma : TY \rightarrow VY$  is characterized by

$$(2) \quad h_\Gamma + v_\Gamma = \text{id}_{TY}.$$

Slovák introduced the induced connection  $\mathcal{T}^A \Gamma$  on  $T^A p : T^A Y \rightarrow T^A M$  in the lifting form, [12],

$$(3) \quad \mathcal{T}^A \Gamma = \kappa_Y \circ T^A \Gamma \circ (\text{id}_Y \times \kappa_M^{-1}) : T^A Y \times_{T^A M} TT^A M \longrightarrow TT^A Y.$$

In [1], we pointed out that the horizontal form of  $\mathcal{T}^A \Gamma$  is the prolongation of  $h_\Gamma$ , i.e.,  $h_{\mathcal{T}^A \Gamma} = \mathcal{T}^A(h_\Gamma)$ . Then (2) implies

$$(4) \quad v_{\mathcal{T}^A \Gamma} = \mathcal{T}^A(v_\Gamma).$$

From now on we assume  $\Gamma$  is a linear connection on a vector bundle  $p : E \rightarrow M$  unless otherwise specified. Denote by  $\text{pr}_2 : VE \rightarrow E$  the second projection determined by the canonical identification of the vertical tangent bundle

$$VE \approx E \times_M E.$$

For a section  $s : M \rightarrow E$  and a vector field  $X : M \rightarrow TM$ , the covariant derivative  $\nabla_X^\Gamma s : M \rightarrow E$  is the composition

$$(5) \quad \nabla_X^\Gamma s = \text{pr}_2 \circ v_\Gamma \circ Ts \circ X.$$

Clearly,  $T^A p : T^A E \rightarrow T^A M$  is a vector bundle and  $T^A \Gamma$  is a linear connection, [12]. Consider the induced section  $T^A s : T^A M \rightarrow T^A E$ . The flow prolongation  $T^A X : T^A M \rightarrow TT^A M$  of the vector field  $X$  satisfies  $T^A X = \varkappa_M \circ T^A X$ , [7]. Applying  $T^A$  to (5), one reduces the following result by Slovák, [12],

$$(6) \quad \nabla_{T^A X}^{T^A \Gamma} T^A s = T^A (\nabla_X^\Gamma s).$$

We recall that every  $a \in A = T^A \mathbb{R}$  induces a tensor field of type (1,1) on  $T^A M$

$$L(a) : TT^A M \longrightarrow TT^A M$$

as follows, [7]. Let  $\mu : \mathbb{R} \times TM \rightarrow TM$  be the multiplication of tangent vectors by reals. Then we define

$$T^A \mu = \varkappa_M \circ T^A \mu \circ (\text{id}_A \times \varkappa_M^{-1}) : A \times TT^A M \longrightarrow TT^A M$$

and we set  $L(a) = T^A \mu(a, -)$ . Similarly, if  $m : \mathbb{R} \times E \rightarrow E$  is the multiplication of the vectors of  $E$  by reals, we construct  $T^A m : A \times T^A E \rightarrow T^A E$ . In this case, we shall use the following simple notation

$$(7) \quad T^A m(a, X) = aX, \quad a \in A, X \in T^A E.$$

**Proposition 1.** *For every section  $s$  of  $E$ , every vector field  $X$  on  $M$  and every  $a, b \in A$ , we have*

$$(8) \quad \nabla_{L(a)T^A X}^{T^A \Gamma} (bT^A s) = (ab) \nabla_{T^A X}^{T^A \Gamma} T^A s.$$

**Proof.** It is well known that for all  $k, l \in \mathbb{R}$  we have

$$(9) \quad \nabla_{kX}^\Gamma ls = kl \nabla_X^\Gamma s.$$

If we apply  $T^A$  to (9) and use (5), we prove our claim.  $\square$

## 2. The Weil algebra calculus

Using the ideas from [4], we show that the coordinate form of the above operations can be written in a concise form, if we use the fact that the addition or multiplication in  $A = T^A \mathbb{R}$  is the prolongation of the addition or multiplication of reals. We have  $A = \mathbb{R} \times N$ , where  $N$  is the nilpotent part. Choose a basis  $e^1, \dots, e^k$

of the vector space  $N$  and write  $e^0 = 1$ . Hence every element of  $A$  can be written in the form

$$x_\alpha e^\alpha \quad \text{with summation with respect to } \alpha = 0, 1, \dots, k.$$

For a function  $f : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , we have  $T^A f : A^m \rightarrow A$  and we define  $D_\alpha f : A^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by the decomposition

$$(10) \quad T^A f = (D_\alpha f) e^\alpha$$

with  $D_0 f = f \circ q$ , where  $q : A^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  is the canonical projection. If we write  $y = f(x^1, \dots, x^m)$ , then (10) can be also expressed in the form  $y_\alpha e^\alpha = e^\alpha D_\alpha f$ .

Given a map  $f : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $y^p = f^p(x)$ , we have the following formula for  $T^A f : A^m \rightarrow A^n$

$$y_\alpha^p e^\alpha = e^\alpha D_\alpha f^p.$$

If  $dx^i$  are the additional coordinates on  $T\mathbb{R}^m = \mathbb{R}^m \times \mathbb{R}^m$ , then we write analogously

$$(11) \quad T^A(dx^i) = dx_\alpha^i e^\alpha.$$

This formula includes the exchange map  $\varkappa_{\mathbb{R}^m} : T^A T\mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow T T^A \mathbb{R}^m$ .

Let us consider a vector field  $X$  on  $M$  with the coordinate expression  $dx^i = X^i(x^1, \dots, x^m)$ . Since the flow prolongation  $T^A X$  satisfies  $T^A X = \varkappa_{\mathbb{R}^m} \circ T^A X$ , its coordinate form is

$$(12) \quad dx_\alpha^i = D_\alpha X^i.$$

**Example 2.** For the sake of simplicity, we shall discuss only the tangent functor  $T$  in the examples of the present paper, even though the power of our approach becomes more instructive in the case of the functor  $T_h^r$  of arbitrary  $(h, r)$ -velocities, [7]. Hence  $A = \mathbb{D}$  and its elements are of the form  $x_0 + x_1 e$ ,  $x_0, x_1 \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $e^2 = 0$ . For every local coordinates  $x^i$  on  $M$ , we denote by  $x_1^i$  the additional coordinates on  $TM$  and we write  $Tf = f + eDf$ . Hence

$$(13) \quad Df = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^1} x_1^1 + \dots + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^m} x_1^m.$$

Then (12) yields the well-known coordinate formula for the flow prolongation  $TX$

$$(14) \quad dx^i = X^i, \quad dx_1^i = DX^i.$$

Let  $\omega$  be a tangent valued one-form on  $M$  with the coordinate expression

$$(15) \quad d\bar{x}^i = a_j^i(x) dx^j.$$

On the right-hand side we have the products of  $a_j^i(x)$  with  $dx^j$  and the summation with respect to  $j$ . Hence the coordinate expression of  $T^A \omega$  is

$$(16) \quad T^A d\bar{x}^i = (T^A a_j^i)(T^A dx^j)$$

with the addition and multiplication in  $A$  on the right-hand side. In other words,

$$(17) \quad e^\alpha d\bar{x}_\alpha^i = (e^\beta D_\beta a_j^i)(e^\alpha dx_\alpha^j) = e^\alpha e^\beta (D_\beta a_j^i) dx_\alpha^j,$$

where the product  $e^\alpha e^\beta$  is in  $A$ .

**Example 3.** In the case  $A = \mathbb{D}$ , (17) yields

$$d\bar{x}^i + e d\bar{x}_1^i = (a_j^i + e D a_j^i)(dx^j + e dx_1^j).$$

Hence the coordinate expression of  $\mathcal{T}\omega$  is

$$d\bar{x}^i = a_j^i dx^j, \quad d\bar{x}_1^i = (D a_j^i) dx^j + a_j^i dx_1^j.$$

Consider a general connection  $\Gamma$  on an arbitrary fibered manifold  $Y \rightarrow M$  in the form of the lifting map

$$(18) \quad d\bar{x}^i = dx^i, \quad dy^p = F_i^p(x, y) dx^i.$$

Then the lifting map  $\mathcal{T}^A \Gamma : T^A Y \times_{T^A M} T T^A M \rightarrow T T^A Y$  has the coordinate expression

$$(19) \quad d\bar{x}_\alpha^i = dx_\alpha^i, \quad e^\alpha dy_\alpha^p = e^\alpha e^\beta (D_\beta F_i^p) dx_\alpha^i.$$

**Example 4.** For  $A = \mathbb{D}$ , the essential part of (19) has the form, cf. [6],

$$dy^p = F_i^p dx^i, \quad dy_1^p = (D F_i^p) dx^i + F_i^p dx_1^i.$$

The coordinate expression of a linear connection  $\Gamma$  on the vector bundle  $E$  is

$$(20) \quad dy^p = \Gamma_{qi}^p(x) y^q dx^i.$$

Hence the equations of  $\mathcal{T}^A \Gamma$  are

$$(21) \quad T^A(dy^p) = (T^A \Gamma_{qi}^p)(T^A y^q)(T^A dx^i),$$

or, equivalently,

$$(22) \quad e^\alpha dy_\alpha^p = e^\alpha e^\beta e^\gamma (D_\gamma \Gamma_{qi}^p) y_\beta^q dx_\alpha^i.$$

**Example 5.** In the case  $A = \mathbb{D}$ , (22) has the form (20) and

$$dy_1^p = (D \Gamma_{qi}^p) y^q dx^i + \Gamma_{qi}^p y_1^q dx^i + \Gamma_{qi}^p y^q dx_1^i.$$

For a section  $s$  of  $E$ , (5) implies the well-known coordinate expression of  $\nabla_X^\Gamma s$

$$(23) \quad \frac{\partial s^p}{\partial x^i} X^i - \Gamma_{qi}^p s^q X^i.$$

Then the coordinate form of  $T^A(\nabla_X^\Gamma s)$  is

$$(24) \quad T^A \left( \frac{\partial s^p}{\partial x^i} X^i \right) - (T^A \Gamma_{qi}^p)(T^A s^q)(T^A X^i).$$

The expression  $(\partial s^p / \partial x^i) X^i$  can be interpreted as the derivative  $X s^p$  of  $s^p$  with respect to the vector field  $X$ . Lemma 3 from ([1]) reads

$$(25) \quad T^A(X s^p) = T^A X(T^A s^p).$$

If we plug this onto (24), we obtain the coordinate expression of  $\nabla_{\frac{T^A \Gamma}{T^A X}} T^A s$ . This is a coordinate proof of (6). Moreover, since the coordinate form of  $L(a)T^A X$  is  $a T^A X^i$  and the coordinate form of  $b T^A s$  is  $b T^A s^p$ , (24) yields a coordinate proof of Proposition 1.

### 3. Prolongation of $E$ -valued $k$ -forms

Koszul introduced an  $E$ -valued  $k$ -form  $\omega$  as a linear base preserving morphism  $\Lambda^k T M \rightarrow E$ , [8]. We define the prolongation  $T^A \omega$  as a  $T^A E$ -valued  $k$ -form determined by the following commutative diagram

$$(26) \quad \begin{array}{ccc} T^A T M \times_{T^A M} \cdots \times_{T^A M} T^A T M & \xrightarrow{T^A \omega} & T^A E \\ \downarrow \kappa_M & & \parallel \\ T T^A M \times_{T^A M} \cdots \times_{T^A M} T T^A M & \xrightarrow{T^A \omega} & T^A E. \end{array}$$

If  $X_1, \dots, X_k$  are vector fields on  $M$ , then  $\omega(X_1, \dots, X_k)$  is a section of  $E$ . Using (26), we obtain immediately

$$(27) \quad T^A \omega(T^A X_1, \dots, T^A X_k) = T^A(\omega(X_1, \dots, X_k)).$$

This formula can be generalized as follows.

**Proposition 6.** *For every  $a_1, \dots, a_k \in A$  we have*

$$(28) \quad T^A \omega(L(a_1)T^A X_1, \dots, L(a_k)T^A X_k) = a_1 \cdots a_k T^A \omega(X_1, \dots, X_k).$$

**Proof.** The multilinearity of  $\omega$  implies

$$\omega(t_1 X_1, \dots, t_k X_k) = t_1 \cdots t_k \omega(X_1, \dots, X_k)$$

for every  $t_1, \dots, t_k \in \mathbb{R}$ . Applying  $T^A$ , we prove our claim.  $\square$

To deduce the coordinate expression of  $T^A \omega$ , we start with the case of a tensor field  $\varphi$  of type  $(1, k)$  on  $M$ . The prolongation  $T^A \varphi$  is a tensor field of type  $(1, k)$  on  $T^A M$  defined by the same formula (1) as in the case of tangent valued  $k$ -forms. Let

$$(29) \quad d\bar{x}^i = a_{j_1 \dots j_k}^i(x) dx^{j_1} \otimes \cdots \otimes dx^{j_k}$$

be the coordinate expression of  $\varphi$ . If we rewrite (29) in the form of a multilinear map, we have

$$(30) \quad w^i = a_{j_1 \dots j_k}^i(x) y^{j_1} \dots z^{j_k}.$$

Applying  $T^A$ , we obtain

$$(31) \quad T^A w^i = (T^A a_{j_1 \dots j_k}^i)(T^A y^{j_1}) \dots (T^A z^{j_k}).$$

Going back to the tensor notation, we replace each  $y_{\alpha_1}^{j_1} \dots z_{\alpha_k}^{j_k}$  by  $dx_{\alpha_1}^{j_1} \otimes \dots \otimes dx_{\alpha_k}^{j_k}$ . Hence (31) can be rewritten as

$$(32) \quad e^\alpha d\bar{x}_\alpha^i = e^\beta e^{\alpha_1} \dots e^{\alpha_k} D_\beta a_{j_1 \dots j_k}^i dx_{\alpha_1}^{j_1} \otimes \dots \otimes dx_{\alpha_k}^{j_k}.$$

Consider now the case of a tangent valued  $k$ -form  $\omega$ ,

$$(33) \quad d\bar{x}^i = a_{j_1 \dots j_k}^i dx^{j_1} \wedge \dots \wedge dx^{j_k}.$$

We have  $dx^{i_1} \wedge \dots \wedge dx^{i_k} = \text{Alt}(dx^{i_1} \otimes \dots \otimes dx^{i_k})$ . Since the multiplication in  $A$  is commutative,

$$\text{Alt}(e^{\alpha_1} \dots e^{\alpha_k} dx_{\alpha_1}^{i_1} \otimes \dots \otimes dx_{\alpha_k}^{i_k}) = e^{\alpha_1} \dots e^{\alpha_k} dx_{\alpha_1}^{i_1} \wedge \dots \wedge dx_{\alpha_k}^{i_k}.$$

Hence the coordinate expression of  $T^A \omega$  is

$$(34) \quad e^\alpha d\bar{x}_\alpha^i = e^\beta e^{\alpha_1} \dots e^{\alpha_k} D_\beta a_{j_1 \dots j_k}^i dx_{\alpha_1}^{j_1} \wedge \dots \wedge dx_{\alpha_k}^{j_k}.$$

**Example 7.** In the case  $A = \mathbb{D}$  and  $k = 2$ , we have

$$d\bar{x}^i + e d\bar{x}_1^i = [a_{jk}^i + e D a_{jk}^i](dx^j + e dx_1^j) \wedge (dx^k + e dx_1^k).$$

This yields

$$(35) \quad d\bar{x}_1^i = (D a_{jk}^i) dx^j \wedge dx^k + a_{jk}^i (dx^j \wedge dx_1^k + dx_1^j \wedge dx^k).$$

If we assume  $a_{jk}^i = -a_{kj}^i$ , then the last term in (35) is equal to  $a_{kj}^i dx^k \wedge dx_1^j$ . Hence we have

$$(36) \quad d\bar{x}_1^i = (D a_{jk}^i) dx^j \wedge dx^k + 2a_{jk}^i dx^j \wedge dx_1^k.$$

**Example 8.** In [1], we have deduced that  $T^A$  preserves the Frölicher–Nijenhuis bracket of tangent valued forms. Since the curvature of an arbitrary connection  $\Gamma$  can be expressed in terms of the Frölicher–Nijenhuis bracket, our procedures give an algorithm for evaluating the curvature  $CT^A \Gamma$  of  $T^A \Gamma$  from the curvature  $C\Gamma$  of  $\Gamma$ . Let

$$(37) \quad dy^p = C_{ij}^p dx^i \wedge dx^j, \quad C_{ij}^p = -C_{ji}^p,$$

be the coordinate expression of  $C\Gamma$ . In the case  $A = \mathbb{D}$ , (36) implies the following coordinate formula for  $CT\Gamma$

$$(38) \quad dy_1^p = (DC_{ij}^p) dx^i \wedge dx^j + 2C_{ij}^p dx^i \wedge dx_1^j.$$

The coordinate procedure for evaluating the prolongation of an  $E$ -valued  $k$ -forms  $\omega$  is of the same character. Let

$$(39) \quad y^p = a_{i_1 \dots i_k}^p(x) dx^{i_1} \wedge \dots \wedge dx^{i_k}$$

be the coordinate expression of  $\omega$ . Then the coordinate form of  $\mathcal{T}^A \omega$  is

$$(40) \quad e^\alpha y_\alpha^p = e^\beta e^{\alpha_1} \dots e^{\alpha_k} D_\beta a_{j_1 \dots j_k}^p dx_{\alpha_1}^{j_1} \wedge \dots \wedge dx_{\alpha_k}^{j_k}.$$

#### 4. The covariant exterior differential

According to Koszul, [8], the covariant exterior differential  $d^\Gamma \omega$  of an  $E$ -valued  $k$ -form  $\omega$  with respect to a linear connection  $\Gamma$  on  $E$  is an  $E$ -valued  $(k+1)$ -form defined by

$$(41) \quad \begin{aligned} d^\Gamma \omega(X_1, \dots, X_{k+1}) &= \sum_{i=1}^{k+1} (-1)^{i+1} \nabla_{X_i}^\Gamma \omega(X_1, \dots, \widehat{X}_i, \dots, X_{k+1}) \\ &+ \sum_{i < j} (-1)^{i+j} \omega([X_i, X_j], X_1, \dots, \widehat{X}_i, \dots, \widehat{X}_j, \dots, X_{k+1}). \end{aligned}$$

Then  $d^{\mathcal{T}^A \Gamma}(\mathcal{T}^A \omega)$  is a  $\mathcal{T}^A E$ -valued  $(k+1)$ -form.

**Proposition 9.** *We have*

$$d^{\mathcal{T}^A \Gamma}(\mathcal{T}^A \omega) = \mathcal{T}^A(d^\Gamma \omega).$$

First of all we remark there is a straightforward proof of Proposition 9 by using (8) and (28) analogously to the proof of ([1, Proposition 1]). However, we prefer a direct way of reducing Proposition 9 to the case of the Frölicher–Nijenhuis bracket. This is based on a manuscript by Modugno, [10], and on the fact that  $\mathcal{T}^A$  preserves the Frölicher–Nijenhuis bracket, [1].

A vertical valued horizontal  $k$ -form on a fibered manifold  $p : Y \rightarrow M$  can be defined as a linear base preserving morphism of the pull-back  $p^* \wedge^k TM$  into  $TY$ . This is a special tangent valued  $k$ -form on  $Y$ . An  $E$ -valued  $k$ -form  $\omega$  can be extended into a vertical valued horizontal  $k$ -form  $\widetilde{\omega}$  on  $E$  by using the translations into the individual fibers of  $E$ . Modugno deduced, [10], that  $d^\Gamma \omega$  is characterized by the following property

$$(42) \quad \widetilde{d^\Gamma \omega} = [h_\Gamma, \widetilde{\omega}]$$

with the Frölicher–Nijenhuis bracket on the right-hand side.

Hence the main tool for proving Proposition 9 is the following formula, where  $\mathcal{T}^A$  on the left-hand side denotes the prolongation of a tangent valued  $k$ -form and  $\mathcal{T}^A$  on the right-hand side means the prolongation of an  $E$ -valued  $k$ -form.

**Lemma 10.** *We have  $\mathcal{T}^A(\widetilde{\omega}) = \widetilde{\mathcal{T}^A \omega}$ .*



**Proof.** A vertical valued horizontal  $k$ -form  $\psi$  on  $E$  can be interpreted as a morphism

$$(43) \quad \varrho(\psi) : TM \times_M \cdots \times_M TM \times_M E \rightarrow E$$

with values in the second factor of  $VE = E \times_M E$ . Clearly,  $\psi$  is of the form  $\psi = \tilde{\omega}$ , if and only if

$$(44) \quad \varrho(\psi) = \varrho(\psi) \circ (\text{Id}_M \times (O_E \circ p)),$$

where  $\text{Id}_M$  means the identity of  $TT^A M \times_{T^A M} \cdots \times_{T^A M} TT^A M$ ,  $p : E \rightarrow M$  is the bundle projection and  $O_E : M \rightarrow E$  is the zero section. In this case,  $\omega = \varrho(\psi) \circ (\text{Id}_M \times O_E)$ . The morphism  $\varrho(T^A \psi)$  makes the following diagram commutative

$$(45) \quad \begin{array}{ccc} TT^A M \times_{T^A M} \cdots \times_{T^A M} TT^A M \times_{T^A M} T^A E & \xrightarrow{T^A \varrho(\psi)} & T^A E \\ \downarrow \times_M & & \parallel \\ TT^A M \times_{T^A M} \cdots \times_{T^A M} TT^A M \times_{T^A M} T^A E & \xrightarrow{\varrho(T^A \psi)} & T^A E. \end{array}$$

Applying  $T^A$  to (44), we obtain

$$T^A \varrho(\psi) = T^A \varrho(\psi) \circ (T^A(\text{Id}_M) \times (O_{T^A E} \circ T^A p)).$$

Taking into account (45), we deduce

$$\varrho(T^A \psi) = \varrho(T^A \psi) \circ (\text{Id}_{T^A M} \times (O_{T^A E} \circ T^A p)).$$

Furthermore,  $\varrho(T^A \psi) \circ (\text{Id}_{T^A M} \times O_{T^A E}) = T^A \omega$ .  $\square$

Using this lemma, (42) and the fact that  $T^A$  preserves the Frölicher–Nijenhuis bracket, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} (T^A(d^\Gamma \omega))^\sim &= T^A(\widetilde{d^\Gamma \omega}) = T^A[h_\Gamma, \tilde{\omega}] = [T^A h_\Gamma, T^A \tilde{\omega}] \\ &= [h_{T^A \Gamma}, \widetilde{T^A \omega}]. \end{aligned}$$

This proves Proposition 9.

We remark that the coordinate formula for  $d^{T^A \Gamma} T^A \omega$  can be derived from the coordinate formula for  $d^\Gamma \omega$  by means of the algorithms of Sections 2 and 3.

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